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Subject: Fw: Methanol Institute Reply to Jan 3 IQC Request for Correction Status Update

Attachments: MI Reply to EPA Jan 3 IQG Status Update.pdf; Report on NTP PWG.pdf

Hi John and Reeder

Attached below is a communication from the Methanol Institute that includes an analysis by George Cruzan of the NTP review of the RI data.

Monica Jones will be sending a draft response to the RFC for us to edit shortly. I'll take a first stab and then send on to you. OEI is hopeful that Malcolm Jackson will talk to OMB soon so we should have a response ready to send to the Methanol Institute ASAP.

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Thanks

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Subject: Re: Methanol Institute Reply to Jan 3 IQC Request for Correction Status Update

Mr. Dolan,

We acknowledge your concern and assure you that we are working diligently to respond to your request. We will review the supplemental information provided in your email. We will also post this information on the EPA Information Quality Guidelines Web site as related correspondence for the Methanol Institute Request for Correction. If we require additional clarification about the information you provided, we will contact you.

Although we have provided a 90-day extension, we anticipate issuing a response well in advance of this date.

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Subject: Methanol Institute Reply to Jan 3 IQC Request for Correction Status Update

Dear Ms. Chalfant:

Thank you for your January 3rd update on the status of our July 9, 2010, Information Quality Guidelines Request for Correction regarding the IRIS Toxicological Review of Methanol. Attached you will find a letter with our reply to your latest status update, along with a report with critical new data on the Ramazzini methanol study. As we note in our letter, we are puzzled as to why the Agency needs an additional 90 days to complete its response to our request, when a similar October 5th letter from your predecessor Reggie Cheatham had then anticipated a 90-day delay in responding.

Our request was simple and straightforward, and called for *immediate* action by the Agency. As you will see from the attached report based on new data available from the NTP's April 2010 visit to the Ramazzini Foundation lab in Italy, the NTP analysis does not support a conclusion of cancers from methanol exposure. We reiterate our request to *immediately* remove the draft methanol IRIS assessment from the Agency's web site.

We would like to meet with you at your earliest convenience to discuss our request in the context of this new data now available on the NTP visit to the Ramazzini lab in Italy.

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